

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is an especially disturbing example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Because Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, they are obligated by law to serve the public interest. Unfortunately, they are a prime example of what happens when large companies control the airwaves. We get more of what's good for their bottom line and less of what we the people need for our democracy. It is important that we see substantive news about issues that matter, not opinion passed off as truth.

Sinclair's most recent actions are proof of why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. The license renewal process must involve more than a returned postcard.

Thank you for your attention and your concern.